(g) what steps have been taken to change the base year of index?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Some suggestions on the subject have been received by this Ministry from the interested groups.

(c) to (g) This forms a part of the review of the drug policy presently being undertaken by the Government.

Findings of Shankaran Committee on drugs

2225. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:
SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has promised revision in norms to the drug industry;

(b) whether it is a fact that norms were studied by Shankaran Committee and that such a study has no basis;

(c) what are the details of findings of the Committee on norms;

(d) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has come across number of errors of omission and commission in the findings of the Committee; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and what steps have been taken to review the position and initiate action against the Committee fo mis-representation of facts?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The requisite information has been furnished in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1343 answered on 20-8-1990.

(d) and (e) The entire drug policy is under review.

Shortcomings in the findings of the Murthy Committee on drugs

2226. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:
SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the necessity to appoint Murthy Committee;

(b) what were the basis on which the members of the Committee were appointed and what are the qualifications and experience each enjoys in line with the job assigned to them;

(c) what are the details of the findings of the Committee and what action has been taken thereon;

(d) whether it is a fact that the members of the Committee were appointed in consultation with on approval of the drug industry;